

The Mind of Christ
Philippians 2:5-11 (part 1)

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I. Having the right mind. *Philippians 2:5*

Some Christians _____ the attitude Jesus had as He submitted to the plan of the Father, but Paul instructed believers to not only admire Christ's mind but, to have the same mind as well.

1. Having the Mind of Christ means a person is truly _____.
2. Having the Mind of Christ means a person is _____ about the things of the Gospel.

"The main thing was that God had done something in human history to _____ their lives for time and eternity (through the Gospel of Jesus Christ)." (Stuart Briscoe)

3. Having the Mind of Christ means a person is _____.
4. Having the Mind of Christ means a person is _____.

"Overcoming is a prior act. Know ahead of time which lusts are your greatest weaknesses. For some lusts you must be _____ to avert your eyes." (T. W. Hunt) **2 Corinthians 10:5**

5. Having the Mind of Christ means a person is _____.
6. Having the Mind of Christ means a person has _____.

II. The action steps to have the Mind of Christ.

1. To keep the Mind of Christ, we constantly _____ on Christ.

"The Christian has the very nature of God within and this means he has godly ambitions and _____." (Warren Wiersbe)

2. We must submit our _____ to the Lord to keep the Mind of Christ.

For those who claim to follow Jesus, a **"Living Sacrifice"** is someone who _____ places themselves on the Altar, to actively do the work and will of God.

The Spirit-filled walk of a believer happens by dying to self and living for Christ, _____ by _____.

3. With the Mind of Christ, we are to _____ to fulfill the call of the Lord. **2 Timothy 4:2**

To have the Mind of Christ, someone must first have _____ Faith, in Christ. After salvation, the believer willingly places their life under God's _____.

Small Group Discussion

Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

1. Read **Philippians 2:5-11**. When Paul instructed believers to have the same mind as Christ, what specifically was he referring to (see the first fill-in on the Sunday note sheet)? Discuss how we are instructed to have the same perspective, will, and goals of Jesus. What are Christ's perspective, will, and goals?
Proverbs 3:5-6, Isaiah 55:8-9, Proverbs 14:12, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, 1 Timothy 2:3-4, Proverbs 16:3
2. Discuss the first four qualities of the Mind of Christ in section I. of the sermon note sheet.
Romans 8:5-6, John 10:10, 2 Corinthians 11:3, Matthew 4:10, James 4:6, Titus 1:15
3. Read **2 Corinthians 10:5** and discuss the importance of taking our thoughts captive to the obedience of Christ.
Philippians 4:8, 2 Timothy 1:7, Proverbs 4:23, Proverbs 23:7
4. *Why is being responsive to the Holy Spirit important for the believer?*
Luke 24:45, John 8:28, John 15:5, Ephesians 5:18
5. Read **Isaiah 26:3** and discuss how having the Mind of Christ gives us peace.
Colossians 1:20, John 16:33, Philippians 4:6-7, John 14:27
6. Discuss the three action steps to keep the Mind of Christ, found within point II. of the sermon note sheet.
Colossians 3:2-3, Philippians 3:20, Romans 12:1-2, 2 Timothy 4:2, 1 Corinthians 2:16